## STATE OF MONTANA



## Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, the 70<sup>th</sup> annual National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2022 with the theme "Exalt The Lord Who Has Established Us," based on the verses in Colossians 2:6-7, "Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude."; and

**WHEREAS**, a National Day of Prayer was first declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775, and since 1952 the U.S. Congress has approved a Joint Resolution setting aside a day each year for prayer, and in 1988, the U.S. Congress directed the President of the United States to set aside and proclaim the first Thursday of May annually as a National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, Americans are privileged to worship freely without fear of government intrusion, one of the fundamental principles on which our nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the love and power of God we unite with Montanans in prayer with thankfulness, while seeking guidance, provision, protection, and purpose for the benefit of our state and nation; and

**WHEREAS,** we, like President Truman on the first National Day of Prayer, ask God "to grant us wisdom to know the course we should follow and strength and patience to pursue that course steadfastly";

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2022 as a

## DAY OF PRAYER

in Montana to pray for our state, nation, and world.

**GREG GIANFORTE** 

Governor